

The Weekly Page

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Pages Learn About Legislature



Super Bowl XL: Go Seahawks!

Board game simulates bill process.

On Monday, pages played a board game designed to simulate for them the process by which a bill becomes a law in Washington State. They came to understand that only about ten percent of the bills that are introduced actually become laws. They also experienced the frustration of having a bill "die" in the middle of the process.



Rep. Cobi Clark Introduces New Bill

Today, Representative Cobi Clark introduced a House bill 3999, which addresses the issue of Retail and homeowners tax. "The bill is a good one because it will help the economy and government," said Representative Cobi Clark. this bill makes retail tax a thing of the past. it will make out economy stronger and it will make our cities bigger. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Outlaw Abortion

Today, Representative Libby Bjorklund introduced House bill 1152, which addresses the issue of Outlawing Abortion. "The bill is a good one because Abortion is murder and who wants to live in a state where this is murder all the time happening before our eyes and not even noticing," said Representative Bjorklund. This bill will help to reduce the abortion in the state and it will make it so that Doctors are not allowed to perform this operation, if they are found doing it they will be fined and sentenced to prison for murder. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on Feb 1, 2006. This bill passed.

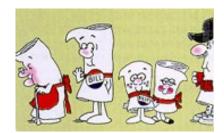


Education System To Receive Needed Funding

Today, Senator Ryan Edington introduced Senate bill 7998, which addresses the issue of Education Funding. "The bill is a good one because money, to allow students (from Washington) to compete in the world market is needed, and needed badly," said Senator Edington. This bill will put a 40-cent tax on tobacco products, and a 40-cent tax on alcohol products, to fund the doubling of our education spending. Also two committees will be formed, one of which will have ten out of twelve members be former teachers, so the money goes where its needed, not where lobbyists, or ill informed politicians think it's needed. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2005. This bill passed.

School Food Needs Improvement

Today, Representative Jake Ford introduced House bill 1701, which addresses the issue of the quality of school foods. "The bill is a good one because students are still growing and need healthy food, but they have the right to choose what food they eat. We shouldn't force our children to eat the same food that we serve our prisoners," said Representative Ford. The purpose of this bill is to improve the quality of food served at schools. Schools will be required to serve both healthy food and junk food in vending machines and good sandwiches and soup for lunch. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.



I'm Just A Bill video provides review of bill process

After playing the Bill Process Game, pages viewed the video *I'm Just A Bill*. Many of them stated that they remembered viewing this in elementary school. This short video accurately illustrates all of the steps in the process.



Teenage Birth Control Solution Found

Today, Senator Kelli Goryns introduced Senate bill 6666, which addresses the issue of Teen Birth Control. "The bill is a good one because there are so many teens already having premarital sex unprotected. This will help decrease the number of teenage pregnancies and the number of teens getting STDS because they have the option to have SAFE sex if they choose," said Senator Kelli Goryns. This bill will ensure that teens who wish to obtain birth control without parental consent under the age of 16 can. The age that a teen could would be 15 years of age, their parents would not be entitled by the law to have a parental consent before the teenager obtains the birth control. The bill was heard before the

Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

"They Have Nothing Healthy; Let's Get A Burger"

Today, Senator Morgan Heetbrink introduced Senate bill 7777, which addresses the issue of school lunches. "The bill is a good one because kids don't have the opportunity to make healthy choices," said Senator Heetbrink. This bill promotes choices of healthy foods for the same price as grill foods. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Voting Privileges For Young Adults

Today, Representative Clissie Jennings introduced House bill 1617, which addresses the issue of Voting Privileges. "The bill is a good one because people who work should get the say in where the tax money they pay goes," said Representative Clissie Jennings. This bill will allow people that work who are of ages 16 and 17 to have the privilege of voting legally. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.



Prisoners Wrongly Accused Finally Being Compensated

Today, Senator Eleanor Johnson introduced senate bill 6894, which addresses the issue of falsely accused prisoners . "The bill is a good one because it compensates for the time lost from the innocent prisoners," said Senator Johnson. This law would enable those prisoners that are falsely accused to receive minimum wage for all the hours spent in jail. It finally gives the prisoners something to make up for the time and humiliation of being in jail when they were falsely accused. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Pages write bills

Each page wrote a bill designed to solve a problem. Topics for bills included driving age, noise control, fewer school hours for high-schools students, and cell-phone use. They reflect real

issues that affect teen-age lives in Washington State. Bills were printed so pages can keep them.

Abortion Kills

Today, Senator Lydia Klumb introduced Senate bill 5191, which addresses the issue of abortion. "The bill is a good one because it covers both the one practicing the act and the one having it performed," said Senator Lydia Klumb. This bill covers the main areas of abortion. It includes the punishments that would be in place if the bill became law. It also states that there would be in most cases two people at fault. The one performing the abortion and the one having it performed. In some cases the one having the abortion performed may not be at fault, the abortion may have been preformed without their consent. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1st, 2006. This bill did not pass.



Income Tax Instead Of Sales Tax

Today, Representative Katharine Landahl introduced House bill 1646, which addresses the issue of extremes between wealth and poverty and mal-funding of state funded things. "The bill is a good one because our state has such a wide space between the wealthy people and the people living in poverty we need to balance it," said Representative Landahl. This bill will exchange sales tax with income tax to fund city and state owned things, like schools and public properties. It will also balance the extremes in money the state of Washington's people have because each person depending on how much they make will be paying a different amount. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006.

Rep. Nathan Whiton Introduces A Bill

Today, Representative Nathan Whiton introduced a House bill 1980, which addresses the issue of WASL scores and how they effect the students lives. "The bill is a good one because it will make it so that the students will try harder and get a reward," said Representative Whiton. This bill will motivate students to learn and try to get not good, but excellent scores on the Washington State Assessment of Student Learning. People might say this won't work, but nobody has given what this bill will do a try. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

Sick And Tired Of Being Sick And Tired?

Today, Senator Alicia Easling introduced Senate bill 5678, which addresses the issue of health insurance coverage for alternative treatment. "The bill is a good one because will save the state money by reducing the cost of health care through the reduced amount of sick patients," said Senator Alicia Easling. By simply allowing patients to receive reimbursement for alternate nutrition replenishment therapy, it will provide them with a choice other than prescribed prescription drugs and time consuming treatments. With the coverage of insurance for preventive health care, it will enable our people to live life without having to endure sickness and disease. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Pages lobby their own bills

Pages practiced lobbying techniques as they encouraged their colleagues to support their bills in committee hearings. They created posters and completed media releases for this newsletter.



Animals Have Lives Too

Today, Representative Addy Simons-Wilson introduced House bill 2222, which addresses the issue of Animal Testing. "The bill is a good one because it promotes animals well being," said Representative Addy Simons-Wilson. No tests may be performed on animals that require the animal to be subjected to disease or any ailments that they do not currently have, testing may only be performed to treat animals for conditions they are currently experiencing. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Young Adults Receive New Rights!!!

Today, Senator Chelsea Bailey introduced Senate bill 6363, which addresses the issue of young adults' rights. "The bill is a good one because it helps prepare the young adult for when they are an adult," said Senator Chelsea Bailey. This bill was created to help the young adults experience what it is like in the "adult" world. It was also created to encourage these people to

want to go to college. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Abolish Helmet Laws!

Today, Senator Kati Barker introduced Senate bill 5768, which addresses the issue of helmet laws. "The bill is a good one because it gives people the freedom to make their own choices," said Senator Barker. The bill is to give motorcyclists the right to choose if they wear a helmet while riding or not. There are so many disgruntled bikers over this issue and we just want to help. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.



No More TV Ads

Today, Senator Jordan Bishop introduced Senate bill 5544, which addresses the issue of TV commercials. "The bill is a good one because it will not allow big programs to control what we are influenced by," said Senator Jordan Bishop. The bill will limit shows to only two breaks and also only one commercial per break. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Committees debate bills, vote

Pages participated in simulated committee hearings on Wednesday. They read their bills and 'committee' members, governed by the rules of parliamentary procedure, debated the pros and cons of the bills. When pages voted on bills, some ideas were passed on to an imagined legislative body, while others did not pass and "died" in committee. In this newsletter, we have reported which bills passed and which did not pass.

Vote Out Sales Tax

Today, Senator Jimmy Blackmon introduced Senate bill 6088, which addresses the issue of the voting age on changes on sales tax. "The bill is a good one because it affects us all," said Senator Blackmon. Citizens of any age may vote on raises or changes of any type in sales tax. The tax is not limited to those over the age of 18, and so it should not be created by those only of that age. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1st, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Biodiesel Or Die!

Today, Representative Courtney-Jo Randall introduced House bill 2424, which addresses the issue of biodiesel funding. "The bill is a good one because The funding provides the amount of help needed to produce biodiesel plants which lead to future independence from foreign oil reliance," said Representative Courtney-Jo Randall. The bill extend funding to biodiesel plants or programs related to Biodiesel, such as seed-crushing plants. the money will be used to create further production and to encourage further production. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Own your land!

Today, Representative Devon Hulteen introduced House bill 1585, which addresses the issue of Civilian Purchase of government land. "The bill is a good one because it addresses a serious issue that has never before been considered," said Representative Hulteen. House bill 1585 will allow citizens to buy land around Lake Chelan. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.



Raising Graduation Requirements

Today, Representative Billy Wilkens introduced House bill 3999, which addresses the issue of Public Education Graduation Requirements. "The bill is a good one because it will make kids try harder in school," said Representative Wilkens. The bill, will make the graduation GPA for high school students up to a 2.7 or a C+ average. Public education only makes kids learn how to get by, instead of actually learning, this bill will make them work hard and learn more. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1,2006. This bill passed.

Quall, Green, Hunt visit, speak, answer questions

Representative Dave Quall D-40, Representative Tami Green D-28, and Representative Sam Hunt D-22 joined the pages during their classes on Thursday. Each of them told students about how they came to be involved in politics and what led them to

their current positions, and they discussed issues they are working on during this session. Pages were able to interact with these guests.







Rep. Sam Hunt

Rep. Tami Green

Rep. Dave Quall

Start Schools Later

Today, Senator Lauren Anderson introduced Senate bill 5040, which addresses the issue of an act relating MS, JHS, and HS opening hours. "The bill is a good one because let's admit it: school starts too early. Kids aren't awake for class at 7:30 in the morning! Most of us aren't fully functional till noon. Starting school at a later time would increase alertness in the classroom and eventually grades for the students in their early morning classes. It would really be a benefit for everyone," said Senator Anderson. If this bill is passed by the Senate, House, and signed by the Governor by the end of session upper school in Washington will be required to start no earlier than 8:55 AM. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.



Lazy Bums Using Up Your Tax Money

Today, Senator Sarah Lee introduced Senate bill 7333, which addresses the issue of welfare. "The bill is a good one because citizens are informed who are using up their tax money for welfare," said Senator Sarah Lee. This bill requires that officers and doctors are to interview people who signed up for welfare to see if they are really in a needy position. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Year-Round School Will Help Students Learn More

Today, Representative Katherine Monger introduced House bill 1234, which addresses the issue of students forgetting what they were taught over the last school year. "The bill is a good one be-

cause it helps to decrease the amount that the students forget," said Representative Monger. School would become year-round. School would be Monday-Friday for three weeks and then the students would receive a one week break from school. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

Insurance Coverage For Nutritional Supplements

Today, Senator Rachael Woodcock introduced Senate bill 6789, which addresses the issue of insurance coverage for nutritional supplements. "The bill is a good one because it will reduce the cost of health care by giving our citizens the incentive to make better choices thus reducing the amount of sick people," said Senator Woodcock. It will provide patients with the opportunity to receive reimbursement for nutritional replenishment therapy equal to reimbursement for any other medical treatment. Unlike drugs and other medications, which only cover up the problem and cause numerous side affects, these nutritional supplements give the body what it needs to function properly; thus reducing the need to buy expensive and non-effective drugs. With the encouragement of insurance coverage for nutritional replenishment therapy, our people will be empowered to live life without enduring sickness and disease. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Budget debate stirs emotions

Using actual state budget figures, pages debated how to balance the state's operating budget. Their task was to make up a \$3 billion deficit. "Is it always this hard?" asked a page as the debate intensified.



Smoking Ban Revision Proposed

Today, Representative Andre Arcand introduced House bill 1311, which addresses the issue of the smoking ban on private property owners. "The bill is a good one because it revises the smoking ban in restaurants which is not a health care issue, it is a private property owners' right," said Representative Andre Arcand. Private property owners should have the right to allow, or not allow, smoking in their restaurant. It is their private property, so it should be their own decision on what to do with their

restaurant. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Credit For Sports

Today, Representative Ean Arnold introduced House bill 3456, which addresses the issue of school curriculum. "The bill is a good one because it allows students to acquire their credits easily," said Representative Arnold. This bill will allow high school students to earn P.E. credits for playing school sports. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.



Freedom for student lunches

Today, Representative Mitch Brown introduced House bill 2996, which addresses the issue of off-campus lunch for high school students. "The bill is a good one because it will allow high school students who currently are confined to their school cafeterias the freedom they've been longing for. To all of the students living under this oppression I tell you today your cry for freedom has been heard," said Representative Mitch Brown. This bill will allow all students who hold valid Washington state drivers licenses to leave their school campuses for lunch. Under the bill students must return to school no more than five minutes late or be subject to prosecution and a maximum fine of \$75 and or suspension of their drivers' license. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Public Smoking Taking A Turn For The Best

Today, Senator Melodie Metze introduced Senate bill 5060, which addresses the issue of public smoking. "The bill is a good one because it promotes people to live healthier and happier lives," said Senator Melodie Metze. Second hand smoke is a huge risk to nearby people and workers. This bill is to publicly ban smoking. This bill will lower the number of individuals who have cancer, heart attacks, strokes and deaths. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Pages celebrate, mingle at Thursday pizza party

Thursday afternoon, pages took a break from their regular duties and socialized with each other while eating pizza. This was an opportunity for House and Senate pages to mingle at the Page Appreciation Pizza Party.



Child Obesity Rate Triples In Stanwood!!

Today, Senator John Mighell introduced Senate bill 6543, which addresses the issue of child obesity rate because of milk machines. "The bill is a good one because it offers a simple, quick, easy way to end the terrible epidemic of obesity in young folk," said Senator Mighell. The bill calls for teachers to replace all of the milk machines in Stanwood High School with Gatorade/water machines. This seems to be the best way to stop this downhill trend before it gets too late. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

Why Parks Are The Better Choice

Today, Senator Chelsea Paulsen introduced Senate bill 7272, which addresses the issue of Maintenance Of Statewide Parks. "The bill is a good one because it will help maintain and keep parks become a safer and cleaner environment for children and there families," said Senator Chelsea Paulsen. The bill is requiring the maintenance of parks and making them a safer and better place. It will prevent the amount of broken equipment and trash build up. Also it will make parks a more attractive and positive place to be. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Students Unable To Participate In Education And The Arts!

Today, Senator Kari Poel introduced Senate bill 5279, which addresses the issue of Public School Music Competitions. "The bill is a good one because this is education and the arts and everyone should be able to be part of them," said Senator Poel. Right now music programs are being held where not everyone has the opportunity to participate in them. The bill proposes that

the rule of having to be enrolled in a music program should be stopped and that every Junior High and High School student must be allowed to participate. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.



Expect A Bilingual Generation!

Today, Representative Olivia Anderson introduced House bill 2439, which addresses the issue of foreign language being taught in all elementary schools. "The bill is a good one because it promotes learning and provides further education. It is easier to learn a foreign language at a young age rather than in high school," said Representative Anderson. The bill suggests that using money from the government, all elementary schools must provide foreign language as a subject taught by teachers in school. The languages should be treated as a normal subject with books and curriculum. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.



Jeopardy creates hit

On Friday, pages tested their knowledge of the Legislative process in a spirited game of *Jeopardy*. Winning teams were awarded certificates and brightly colored stickers that they wore proudly for the rest of the day.

No More Stairs For Us!

Today, Representative Beth Bollinger introduced House bill 2694, which addresses the issue of handicapped accessibility. "The bill is a good one because coming from a family whose dad is handicapped, I have seen first hand the inadequacy of our buildings, and the confusion and time that goes into just getting into a room of an average building. This bill is great, because it allows those who have the extra burden of being handicapped, to feel a bit more normal, by making it up to a room by going the normal route, and to be able to walk up with others on the stairsright by their side.," said Representative Beth Bollinger. This bill is to provide better and easier accessibility for those who are handicapped. It will allow them to be able to use a normal path to

go to a destination, and to become unified with the rest of the public. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

WASL Requirement Revised

Today, Representative Bailey Davidson introduced House bill 2563, which addresses the issue of The WASL. "The bill is a good one because it provides students with a more likely chance to succeed," said Representative Davidson. The bill provides students with an understanding that says that your whole life is based on one test. For example if you fail the Math section 4 time every time then it is not that you didn't get enough sleep or that you didn't try as hard but it is because they do not have the ability to speed up with the other kids. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

School Schedule Change Proposed

Today, Senator Maria DeMiero introduced Senate bill 5017, which addresses the issue of School Hours. "The bill is a good one because it gives students and teachers an opportunity to have a better sleep leading to healthier, happier people. Also students will not be walking in the dark to school or to their bus stops.," said Senator Maria DeMiero. This bill makes it so that schools can not start earlier than 9:45. It creates many positive things for students, teachers and staff. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Creation Theory Taught In Schools

Today, Representative Hilary Rhodes introduced House bill 1480, which addresses the issue of The creation theory being part of WA state's kid's education. "The bill is a good one because promotes a different view on how the earth was created," said Representative Rhodes. The bill explains why the story of god creating the earth should be told to kids as well as the theory of Evolution. how it's good to give different views on things, to stay open minded. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Page School on the web

The Page School has its own web site. You can find us at: www1.leg.wa.gov/WorkingwithLeg/
PageSchool/. This newsletter has been posted there.

Another Smoking Bill

Today, Representative Christina Alexander introduced House bill 3305, which addresses the issue of smoking. "The bill is a good one because it will not only save the smokers themselves, but even the ones who don't smoke," said Representative Alex-

ander. Smoking is not needed anywhere because it kills beyond thousands of people every year. Americans need to realize how much this bill will help not only Washington, but the whole Nation as well. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

Lower End Schools Get A Break In Funding

Today, Senator Arianna Woltkamp introduced Senate bill 5208, which addresses the issue of school funding. "The bill is a good one because it provides funding for lower end schools to help them pass standardized tests," said Senator Woltkamp. Schools that have in the past scored low on standardized tests will now receive funding from the state. The funding will go towards buying new materials and hiring new teachers. The money will be taken from schools that are a private school or that have above 83% of their students passing the standardized tests. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

A Stronger America

Today, Senator Juliana Chase introduced Senate bill 5555, which addresses the issue of immigrants coming to the US and not knowing English. "The bill is a good one because ,when you come to a certain nation, learning the language is a given," said Senator Chase. This bill encourages foreign immigrants who come to the US to know English fluently. If they learn the language within a year of permanent residency they will receive \$500 to a higher English education. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Pop sales no more in Washington schools!

Today, Representative Kameron Payne introduced House bill 2918, which addresses the issue of not allowing the sales of carbonated drinks on school campuses. "The bill is a good one because it will eliminate some of the state's obesity rate," said Representative Payne. My bill state that selling carbonated drinks on school campuses should be outlawed. Because carbonated drinks are one of the greatest reasons that most people of the United States are obese. And that if the schools want to sell drinks it should be not carbonated like water. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on Feb. 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

Another WASL Bill

Today, Senator Krista Plamondon introduced Senate bill 5001, which addresses the issue of the WASL. "The bill is a good one because its stating the fact on why the WASL should not be a

law," said Senator Plamondon. The cost of the WASL is taking away from our educational system.. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not come up for a vote.

The Misunderstood Drug

Today, Representative Sebastian Lasbo introduced House bill 3569, which addresses the issue of drug funding. "The bill is a good one because it benefits all citizens," said Representative Lasbo. The purpose of this bill is to take funding away from getting marijuana, and putting it towards finding and getting rid of deadly drugs such as meth, cocaine and heroin. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Page School teachers

Page School's 2006 teachers are (*l-r*): Paul Prociv, BJ Lutz, and Vicky Whinnery



Reducing Weekend Homework

Today, Senator Ian Turner introduced Senate bill 5337, which addresses the issue of school assignments on the weekends. "The bill is a good one because students have too many distractions during the weekend," said Senator Ian Turner. Students need time to relax after a week of school. There are too many distractions that the students need to handle. So they can't get it done, or done as well as they could have if they had not had the extra weekend distractions. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Smoking On The Line

Today, Senator Adam Vance introduced Senate bill 5555, which addresses the issue of smoking. "The bill is a good one because the citizens need clean air to breathe, and the smoking industry must pay for the health problems they have helped cause," said Senator Vance. This bill would make smoking on any public property illegal, enforced by monetary fines. It

would also put second hand smoke on a toxic pollutant list. Finally, the price of smoking products would be increased. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.



Change High School Hours

Today, Representative Sean Whitmeyer introduced House bill 1001, which addresses the issue of school hours. "The bill is a good one because it will make Washington a safer place," said Representative Whitmeyer. The bill will help because it was a proven fact that high school students who get out later get in less trouble. So Washington state will be saving money in the long run and have more money to support the poor. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

WASL Testing Easier

Today, Senator Sarah Zayic introduced Senate bill 7633, which addresses the issue of students passing the WASL. "The bill is a good one because it gives all students the chance to pass the WASL," said Senator Sarah Zayic. This bill will require all high schools to offer a quarter-long class of WASL preparation. No students will be required to attend these classes. These classes are optional, but give each student a chance to pass. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.



Changing Graduation Requirements

Today, Senator Kendra Poel introduced Senate bill 7696, which addresses the issue of high school graduation requirements. "The bill is a good one because it will ensure that when a student

graduates from high school, he or she will have more than basic skills," said Senator Poel. This bill will change the requirements needed for graduation. In order to graduate, the student will have to have a seventy percent average in all of the following classes: four classes in math, four in English, four in history, four in science, and at least one in a foreign language. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill passed.

Wait Less Time To Get Your License.

Today, Representative Chelsea Coon introduced House bill 6954, which addresses the issue of transportation. "The bill is a good one because people don't have to wait so long to get their license, and during this time they can give other people rides to where they need to go," said Representative Chelsea Coon. T his bill is about how people should get their license 3 months after getting their permit. Also while the people are waiting to get their license they can give other people rides. The bill was heard before the Page School legislative committee on February 1, 2006. This bill did not pass.

Historical pages

Our legislature has employed pages for many years. This photo is of pages who served in past years. The first female page served in 1937.



